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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| <i>Application Number</i> | 10/084,379 |
| <i>Filing Date</i> | February 28, 2002 |
| <i>First Named Inventor</i> | A. HIROTSUNE |
| <i>Group Art Unit</i> | 3621 |
| <i>Examiner Name</i> | E.J. Augustin |
| <i>Attorney Docket Number</i> | H&A-108 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTOISB129) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000) 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000) which establishes RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
iii. Other _____.
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____.

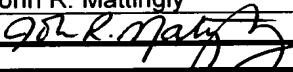
2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____.

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____.
- b. Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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| Name (Print/Type) | John R. Mattingly | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 30,293 |
| Signature |  | Date | January 4, 2005 |

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT **(\$)** **790.00**

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FEES CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee | Fee | Fee | Fee Description |
|--------------|--------------|------|------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Code | (\$) | Code | (\$) | Fee | Fee Description |
| 1011 | 300 | 2011 | 150 | Utility filing fee | |
| 1012 | 200 | 2012 | 105 | Design filing fee | |
| 1013 | 200 | 2013 | 100 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1014 | 300 | 2014 | 150 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 | 200 | 2005 | 100 | Provisional filing fee | |
| 1111 | 500 | 2111 | 250 | Utility Search fee | |
| 1112 | 100 | 2112 | 50 | Design Search fee | |
| 1113 | 300 | 2113 | 150 | Plant Search fee | |
| 1114 | 500 | 2114 | 250 | Reissue Search fee | |
| 1311 | 200 | 2311 | 100 | Utility Ex. fee | |
| 1312 | 130 | 2312 | 65 | Design Ex. fee | |
| 1313 | 160 | 2313 | 80 | Plant Ex. fee | |
| 1314 | 600 | 2314 | 300 | Reissue Ex. fee | |

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SUBTOTAL (1)

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| | Fee from Extra Claims below | Fee Paid |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Total Claims | -20 = | x 50 = |
| Indep. Claims | -3 = | x 200 = |

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